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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/42. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114(c), accompanies the Request for Continued Examination (37 CFR 1.114) concurrently filed herewith.

Applicants have become aware of the following documents AA, BD, and CA-CB cited in a European Search Report issued August 13, 2009, during the prosecution of European Application No. 04770865.6, which corresponds to the subject application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the

enclosed PTO Form SB/42, and a copy of the European Search Report and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well. Document AB, while not directly cited in the European Search Report, corresponds to Reference BD.

References BA-BC are listed in the "Decision to Grant a Patent" issued by the Japanese Patent Office in the corresponding Japanese patent application No. 2003-398358. Reference BA was previously cited to the USPTO in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement dated October 17, 2008. References BB and BC were previously cited to the USPTO in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement dated March 3, 2009. However, Applicants enclose herewith English computer translations provided by the Japanese Patent Office (except drawings) for these three Japanese references BA-BC.

This statement is not to be interpreted as a representation that the cited documents are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information exists. Nor shall the citation of any document herein be construed *per se* as a representation that such document is prior art. Moreover, Applicants understand the Examiner will make an independent evaluation of the cited documents.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicant has not submitted copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicant submits herewith copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No. 65213(71117).

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